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PATENT
Docket No. GC372

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of)	
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Timothy Fowler et al.)	Group Art Unit: 1802
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Serial No. 08/876,132)	
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Filed: June 23, 1997)	Examiner: Unassigned
)	
For: Improved <i>Enterobacteriaceae</i>)	
Fermentation Strains)	

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

BOX DAC
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Sir:

Please consider and enter the following comments and amendments.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please insert the attached Sequence Listing after as pages 13-16.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please renumber the claims as pages 17 and 18. Please renumber the Abstract as page 19.

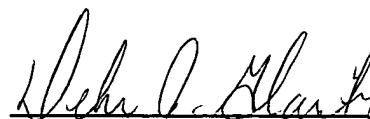
REMARKS

Applicants are amending the above-identified application pursuant to the Notice to Comply With the Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequences and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosure. Applicants submit that no new matter has been added by these amendments and respectfully request that these amendments be entered into the above-identified application.

The appropriate fee is submitted concurrently herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Debra J. Glaister", written over a horizontal line.

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